## National Recognition for the Delaware State Police Mobile Crime Tip Line Application

The iOS and Android Mobile App Honored as a Finalist at the 2013 NASCIO Awards

Dover — The National Association of State CIOs (NASCIO) has selected Delaware's State Police (DSP) Mobile Crime Tip Line Application as a finalist in the Fast Track Solutions category at the 25th annual NASCIO Recognition Awards for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Information Technology in State Government.

"The Delaware State Police continues to utilize technology as a force multiplier to combat and solve crime," said Sergeant Paul G. Shavack, director of public information for the Delaware State Police. "By the use of smart phone technology, we want to make it as easy and convenient as possible to provide anonymous tips on crimes and criminal activity. When the public becomes involved and provides crime tips, it helps keep their communities safe."

The DSP free Crime Tip Line application was launched in March of 2013 and already has over 830 downloads on both iPhones and Android phones. The application provides a mobile solution for accepting crime tips, allowing users to report information such as location, activity description, subject description, vehicle description, and even photographs to the police. Tips can be submitted anonymously. All crime tips are passed directly to the DSP via email. The mobile app complements other reporting crime-reporting channels and meets the citizen expectation of "mobile access anytime, anywhere." This is particularly relevant in the context of public safety. The application is available for download on either iOS or Android

at apps.delaware.gov.

NASCIO represents state chief information officers and seeks to recognize technology achievements in state government in order to highlight, promote, and share innovation as well as to engage citizens. Details about the 2013 Awards are posted at <a href="https://www.nascio.org/awards/2013awards">www.nascio.org/awards/2013awards</a>. Recognition from the nation's CIOs highlights Governor Markell's initiative to promote and develop eGovernment services in the state of Delaware.

The DSP Crime Tip application was developed by  $\frac{Delaware}{Interactive}$ ,  $\frac{LLC}{LLC}$  in partnership with the Government Information Center ( $\frac{GIC}{LLC}$ ).